Senior Manager Course in National Security Leadership

Based in the heart of the nation’s capital, the George Washington University Senior Manager Course in National Security Leadership is a two-week executive education course that forges a new model for senior leadership training.

Whether you are preparing for an advanced leadership role in the military, transitioning to a new role within the government or private sector, or hoping to gain a better understanding of your U.S. government counterparts, this is an unmatched opportunity to gain crucial skills and access.

Through this course, senior leaders gain valuable insight into:

- Working with Congress
- Understanding the U.S. national security budget
- Counterterrorism and counterinsurgency strategy
- Resilience and energy security
- Cyberwarfare
- Leading Organizational Change
- Regional conflict and instability
- Analyzing complex challenges
- Evaluating policy options
- Forging your strategic narrative
- Building interagency and international coalitions

**Highlights:**

- Lectures from internationally renowned national security and foreign policy experts
- Case studies and collaborative exercises
- Complex simulations concerning threats to the homeland and abroad
- Briefings with senior officials in the U.S. Departments of Defense, State, etc.
- Site visits to neighboring embassies and agencies
- Networking events with top policymakers and peers

Recent speakers include:

- Senator Richard Lugar on Congress & U.S. National Security
- Dr. David Kilcullen on Navigating Complex Challenges
- Adm. (Ret.) Michelle Howard on Competition across Domains
- Dr. David Rock on The Neuroscience of Coalition Building
- Ambassador Prudence Bushnell on Leading in the Interagency Context
- Dr. Jeremi Suri on Historical Thinking and National Security Leadership

**TUITION:**

Course tuition is $9,000, including instructional materials and some meals during the program.

**DATES (select one):**

- Summer 2019: June 3 – June 14, 2019
- Spring 2020: March 9– March 20, 2020
- Summer 2020: June 1 –June 12, 2020

**ACADEMIC CREDIT:**

Graduates of the program who complete a 15- to 20-page research paper on a topic related to the course are eligible to receive 3 graduate credits from the GW Elliott School of International Affairs, which may be applied toward advanced degrees including the Master of International Policy and Practice (the Elliott School’s 27-credit midcareer Master’s degree program).

**ELIGIBILITY:**

The course is open to senior military officers (O-5 and above) and civilian executives (GS-14 and above, or equivalent) from the U.S., other governments, and senior executives in the private sector dealing with international security issues.

**HOW TO APPLY:**

Application forms are available at: [www.nssp.elliott.gwu.edu/nssp-application](http://www.nssp.elliott.gwu.edu/nssp-application).

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**AGENDA**

**Spring 2019 Senior Manager Course in National Security Leadership**

**Achieving Foresight**
- GWU State Room, 7th Fl.
- 0800-0900 Registration
- 0900-1030 Introductions and Course Overview
- 1100-1230 Historical Thinking & National Security Leadership
  - Jeremi Suri, Univ. of Texas, Austin
- 1230-1400 Lunch: Welcome Remarks
  - Dean Reuben Brigety II, Elliott School of International Affairs, GWU
- 1400-1500 Discussion Groups
- 1515-1700 Strategic Foresight
  - Mark Lowenthal, The Intelligence & Security Academy
- 1730-2000 Opening Dinner: Congress and National Security
  - Sen. Richard Lugar, The Lugar Center

**Navigating Complexity**
- GWU State Room, 7th Fl.
- 0845-0900 Recap and Preview of Day
- 0900-1030 Forging the Strategic Narrative
- 1100-1230 Gender and National Security Leadership
  - Gina Bennett, National Counterterrorism Center; Shirley Graham, GWU
- 1230-1400 Working Lunch: Gender & National Security Leadership discussion
- 1400-1500 Discussion Groups
- 1530-1700 Scenario Planning: Climate Change and Energy Transition
  - David Hone, Shell International Ltd.
- 1730-2000 Optional Session: Working With the Media
  - James Spellman, Strategic Communications LLP

**Forging Coalitions**
- GWU State Room, 7th Fl.
- 0845-0900 Recap and Preview of Day
- 0900-1030 NeuroLeadership: Building Effective Coalitions
- 1100-1300 Negotiation Skills for Senior Leaders
  - Anthony Wani-St. John, American University
- 1230-1400 Working Lunch: Negotiation Exercise Debrief
- 1400-1500 Discussion Groups
- 1530-1700 The Middle East: Extremism and State Collapse
  - Jon Alterman, Center for Strategic and International Studies
- 1730-2000 Optional Session: Working with the Media
  - James Spellman, Strategic Communications LLP

**Ethics, Law, and Strategy I**
- GWU State Room, 7th Fl.
- 0845-0900 Recap and Preview of Day
- 0900-1030 Competition Across Domains: Strategic and Operational Perspectives
- 1100-1300 Russia and NATO: "Next Generation" Warfare
  - Anthony Wani-St. John, American University
- 1230-1400 Working Lunch: Negotiation Exercise Debrief
- 1400-1500 Discussion Groups
- 1530-1700 Counterterrorism: Legal, Ethical, & Strategic Dimensions
  - Jon Alterman, Center for Strategic and International Studies
- 1730-2000 Optional Session: Working with the Media
  - James Spellman, Strategic Communications LLP

**Transnational Challenges I**
- Lindner Commons, Room 602
- 0845-0900 Recap and Preview of Day
- 0900-1030 Cyber Security and Cyber Warfare: The Age of Acceleration
  - Priscilla Moriuchi, Recorded Future
- 1100-1230 The National Security Budget
  - Todd Harrison, Center for Strategic and International Studies
- 1230-1330 Lunch
- 1330-1430 Discussion Group Outbriefs
- 1500-1630 21st-Century Global Security Trends: A Discussion
  - Michael Brown, GWU
- 1730-2000 Dinner at Leisure
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<td>Navigating Complex Security Environments</td>
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